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## Dan

Please see correspondence below. This addresses the questions you sent earlier today regarding the CTP and the BRT referendum language.

On another note, I have been following the AJC Atlanta Forward series. I appreciate the message and think it is well done. Multiple articles that have been featured in the series have raised questions about urban-suburban connectivity in the Atlanta region. The series has also explored the need for suburban communities to think seriously about providing transportation options.

Last week the Cobb County Board of Commissioners adopted a forward thinking planning document that includes long term innovative transportation alternatives to achieve regional connectivity. Instead of recognizing this as forward thinking, we received a line of questions that actually make it far more controversial than it is, particularly at this juncture.

Lastly, please make it clear to your readers that there was not a question posed to Ms. DiMassimo about the BRT referendum language.

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Bob and Thea-

I received your note to Faye regarding the BRT language that was adopted last week. I want to clarify that what the board adopted was a resolution to approve the 5 year update of the 2040 Comprehensive Transportation Plan. This is a policy document that includes hundreds of short term projects included in the 2016 SPLOST as well as mid and longer term projects. All of these need to come back to the board for approval.

BRT is one of the longer term projects. None of the projects, including BRT, were approved by the board last week. We approved a policy document, not specific projects. The policy document does however include a separate statement attached to the BRT project that reads "This project will only move forward with a specific and separate approval of the Board of Commissioners. If deemed necessary by the Board, it will be put to a referendum of the voters of Cobb County."

This language is the same that I shared with you in the cover sheet of a package with maps and the recommendations report on May 19 as a response to the CTP questions you had posed to me earlier in the month. For your reference, I have attached the cover sheet.

I hope this answers your question.

Tim

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